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Background

Representatives of governments and from other actors such as international and non-governmental organizations must be able to understand and often work with UN agencies in order to achieve their objectives and advance their interests. As an increasingly globalized world continues to underline the importance of multilateral dialogue and cooperation in confronting this century’s challenges, the UN will remain a central forum for progressing ideas and a platform for action.

Course Objectives

This e-Learning course aims to provide an overview of United Nations as well as a historical, political, and analytical framework for liaising more effectively with UN representatives and staff. With the help of interactive online exercises, participants will finish the course with a concrete understanding of the UN system’s structure and functioning.

Learning Objectives

At the end of the course, participants should be able to:

- Define the UN system’s structure and functioning;
- Explain UN’s principal organs and their development;
- Identify current and salient issues relevant to the UN;
- Explain a history of the UN system and its predecessors.

Target Audience

The course targets those working in the public or private sector, including entry and mid-level career diplomats, other public-service officials, postgraduate students, and staff from non-governmental organizations, especially those whose work or studies are linked to the United Nations.

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